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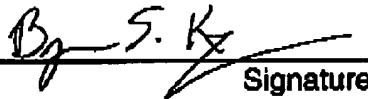
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For: AUTOMATIC VENDING MACHINE)	
HAVING A CONTROL SYSTEM)	
CAPABLE OF EASILY AND RELIABLY)	
REWRITING A CONTROL PROGRAM)	
IN EACH TERMINAL CONTROL UNIT)	

RESPONSE

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Sir:

The Office Action mailed June 25, 2004 has been carefully reviewed and, in view of the following remarks, reconsideration and allowance of the application are respectfully requested.